



## Welcome Ed Gless



Ed Gless is Mount Vernon's newest police officer. He is currently attending the Basic Law Enforcement Academy in Burien. The Basic Law Enforcement Academy is four and a half months long.

Before joining the Mount Vernon Police Department, Ed served almost 13 years on active duty in the United States Navy. Ed is a graduate of the American Military University earning a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice. Welcome to Ed Gless!



## Neighborhood Beautification Project



Recently, a group of neighbors and other community members worked together on a Saturday to improve the trailhead at S. 27<sup>th</sup> and Broadway. The group included a large number of Mount Vernon High School Seniors.

Several organizations from Mount Vernon helped to make the project possible. These included: Habitat for Humanity, Home Depot, Hillman's Tranquil Hardscapes, the City of Mount Vernon and the Mount Vernon Police Department. Officer Jason Graham coordinated the project working with the above groups.

Neighbors from South 27<sup>th</sup> participated in the event. One of them made fresh cookies for the group to enjoy, while others helped with construction.

This is a part of the ongoing commitment of the Mount Vernon Police Department to work with local neighborhoods and Blockwatch groups to help make each neighborhood a safe and enjoyable place to live.